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SUBJECT: VOCATIONAL TRAINING TEAM

REFS: A. JIDDA 2784; B. STATE 07837

1. IN RESPONSE REF. A, TEAM PREPARED SPEND UP TO SIX WEEKS IF NEEDED ACCOMPLISH OBJECTIVES. IN LIGHT OF EXPANDED TIME IN SAUDI ARABIA, TEAM SECRETARY NOW DEEMED ESSENTIAL.

2. COST ESTIMATES FOR THREE-MEMBER TEAM PLUS SECRETARY TOTALS DOLS 54,855. BREAKDOWN AS FOLLOWS: INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL AND PER DIEM DOLS 15,460; IN COUNTRY TRAVEL (ESTIMATED) DOLS 1,500; SALARY AND PERSONNEL BENEFITS (SIX WEEKS IN SAUDI ARABIA; ONE WEEK PRE-PLANNING AND ONE WEEK FOLLOW-UP) DOLS 22,220; OVERHEAD OF 40 PERCENT DOLS 15,675. IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT ANY INCREASE IN PER DIEM
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RATES WILL NECESSITATE ADDITIONAL FUNDS. ANY REMAINING

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FUNDS AFTER ACTUAL EXPENSES WILL BE RETURNED TO THE SAG.

3. LABOR DEPARTMENT PREPARED RECEIVE FIRST GROUP SAUDI INSTRUCTORS BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1975 FOR TRAINING

IN U.S., ASSUMING ADEQUATE ENGLISH LANGUAGE COMPETENCY. TEAM PREPARED DISCUSS PROCEDURES FOR IMPLEMENTATION.

4. LABOR DEPARTMENT CONTEMPLATES MAJOR ROLE IN ASSISTING THE SAG/MINISTRY OF LABOR IN CONSTRUCTING, EQUIPPING AND MANAGING VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTERS. TEAM MEMBER DIMATTEO ESPECIALLY EXPERIENCED IN PROCEDURES UTILIZED IN SECURING U.S. RESOURCES TO CONSTRUCT SCHOOLS FOR OTHER COUNTRIES; MCGUERTY FULLY QUALIFIED TO DEAL WITH EQUIPPING STAFFING AND MANAGING SUCH CENTERS.

5. SUBJECT TO SAG APPROVAL AND FUNDING, TEAM PREPARED ETA JIDDA MAY 15. REQUEST ADVISE SOONEST REGARDING SAG APPROVAL OF VISIT, DEPOSIT OF FUNDS AND HOTEL RESERVATIONS IN JIDDA NIGHT OF 15 MAY AND THEREAFTER IN RIYADH.

6. THIS MESSAGE IS ALSO BEING TRANSMITTED BY TELEX TO JOINT COMMISSION OFFICE, RIYADH. KISSINGER

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